CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO COUNCIL MINUTES

December 05, 1994 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Grossman at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present:

Mike Milovich Todd Hurley Cheryl Grossman John Schreck Jeff Warner

1. Mr. Schreck moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr.	Milovich	Yes
Mr.	Hurley	Yes
Ms.	Grossman	Yes
Mr.	Schreck	Yes
Mr.	Warner	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Hurley, Chairman of the Lands & Zoning Committee for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Resolution CR-66-94 (Authorize the Administrative Assistant to enter into an agreement with the Grove City Kids Association) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hurley explained that for the past several years the City has utilized the Kids Association facility for softball games and this would continue that relationship. Mr. Warner pointed out that this contract will provide \$2,000.00 per year to the Association for use of their facility. Mr. Babbert indicated that this was correct. The contract is for five years and the total will be \$10.000.00.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved it be approved; seconded by President Grossman.

Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Schreck	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

2. Resolution CR-68-94 (Services available upon annexation to a 0.289± acre tract located north of Hibbs Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hurley indicated that this area will be at the entrance to Hennigan's Grove Development. There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Schreck	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes

3. Resolution CR-69-94 (Appeal the Decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals Granting a Variance for Keeping Horses at 2942 Demorest Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hurley announced that the attorney representing this issue is not available to attend this evening and he has asked for this Resolution to be tabled until the next meeting. There being no objection, Mr. Hurley moved to postpone CR-69-94 until December 12, 1994; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Schreck	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes

4. Mr. Hurley moved to add Resolution CR-70-94 to the agenda; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Schreck	Yes

5. Resolution CR-70-94 (Approve the Final Development Plan for the Jackson Township Administration Office located at 3756 Hoover Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hurley announced that a Special meeting of Planning Commission took place this evening at 6:30 p.m. to address the facade and rendering. He reviewed the stipulations set forth by Planning Commission and referenced the color rendering that was pinned up for all to review. The rendering had a picture of the Command Station in the bottom right hand corner in order to show the attempt to tie the two buildings together.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr.	Milovich	Yes
Mr.	Hurley	Yes
Ms.	Grossman	Yes
Mr.	Schreck	Yes
Mr.	Warner	No

6. Mr. Hurley moved to remove Resolution CR-64-94 (Support a Land Use Concept Plan) from the Table and add it to the agenda; seconded by Mr. Milovich.

Mr.	Hurley	Yes
Ms.	Grossman	Yes
Mr.	Schreck	Yes
Mr.	Warner	Yes
Mr.	Milovich	Yes

7. Due to the desire of Council to review and discuss this Plan a little more specifically with Mr. Elmer, Mr Hurley moved that Resolution CR-64-94 be postponed until January 17, 1995; seconded by President Grossman.

Ms. Grossman Yes
Mr. Schreck Yes
Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Warner, Chairman of Service, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Resolution CR-67-94 (Authorize the Administrative Assistant to enter into a contract with the District Advisory Council of Franklin County General Health District for Public Health Services and Plumbing Inspections) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Warner explained that this allows us to continue our contract with Franklin County Health Department to provide these services to the City.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Warner moved it be approved; seconded by President Grossman.

Mr. Schreck Yes
Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Yes

President Grossman recognized Mr. Milovich, Chairman of Finance, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-89-94 (Appropriate \$9,400 from the Gardens at Gantz Fund for Current Expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Milovich explained that this authorizing the use of funds received by the Gardens at Gantz through fund raising efforts.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Milovich moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Yes
Mr. Schreck Yes

President Grossman asked that any new business to be brought before the attention of Council be done so at this time.

There being no new business, President Grossman recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage submitted his monthly report and requested it be approved. He noted that the Gross Building Permits for 1993 were 63 million and for 1994 it is 64.8 million.

President Grossman moved to accept the Mayor's Report; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr.	Milovich	Yes
Mr.	Hurley	Yes
Ms.	Grossman	Yes
Mr.	Schreck	Yes
Mr.	Warner	Yes

In closing, Mayor Stage commented that we couldn't have had a more perfect night for the Tree Lighting. There was an estimated 4,000 - 5,000 people downtown for the celebration and it's very comforting to know we have that type of involvement by families. The 1995 Budget was presented to Council this evening for their review. Finally, this morning we received some real good news that the PHH Home Equity Relocation Network, which is a national relocation network that services a number of corporations - advising them of where to look to find housing and overall quality of life, has ranked Grove City Best Overall in the Columbus, Ohio Metropolitan Area. The three key factors used were: lowest overall crime ('92 - '93 showed a decrease), most affordable housing; and lowest overall local taxes. He said this is an excellent report and one we can hopefully use in the development world.

- 2. Mr. Boso, Administrative Assistant, announced that there would be a Bid Opening for the Grant Avenue Improvement and an appropriation ordinance will be coming to Council at the next meeting. They would like to award the contract in this fiscal year and will request an emergency in passage.
- 3. Mr. Behlen, Director of Finance, stated that there were two other loose ends that will be coming to Council for appropriation as well.
- 4. Chief McKean thanked President Grossman for her pledge of assistance and support in setting up Ward Meetings designed to ensure that the Safety Department meets the citizens expectations.
- 5. Mr. Babbert, Director of Parks & Recreation, announced the resignation of Karen Brokaw. She has accepted a position with the Southwest Community Center in Urbancrest, performing a similar function for them as she was for the Senior Center. He wished her success and looks forward to continuing a working relationship.
- 6. Mr. Hamons said despite the dramatic news last week, most people realize that a change in lifestyle is the best way to reduce cancer. For the past two years, we have been a Jail-N-Bail site for the Cancer Society and will be again this year. From now through Thursday, you may have someone arrested and help the Fund Raising Efforts for education and research.
- 7. Mr. Fulton, Director of Safety, announced that the No Turn On Red signs have been taken down at Southwest Boulevard and Broadway as well as at Stringtown and Hoover Roads. He said they have had no problems since this occurred and have experienced a better flow of traffic.
- 8. Mr. Blackburn, Director of Service, stated that within the next ten days most of the construction work will be on a six week hiatus. Columbus Street is virtually open; Dudley is open and Park Street is open. Secondly, the street tree planting will be over by the end of next week, finishing

- up the north side of Columbus Street and along Broadway. Also, if you take a stroll through Westgrove, there were a few extra trees from a State Planting that they placed on Southwest Boulevard and it looks very nice.
- 9. President Grossman recognized the two Township Trustees that were present this evening. Mr. Miller thanked Council for the passage of the Administration Office Renovation and promised it would be something we can all be proud of. They want it to be nice also. Ms. Cheryl Patzer thanked the City for allowing the Fire Department to practice maneuvers on the house located at Hoover and S. R. 665. Although it was a traumatic experience for Mr. White, it was a good experience for the firefighters.
- 10. Mr. Schreck elaborated on Mr. White's old farm house. He was present for the training session and explained that the house was brought down due to safety factors. This was part of the land that the City purchased for the relocation of Hoover Road. Secondly, he commented on Resolution CR-69-94, appealing the variance for horses on Demorest Road. He went out to look at the property and noticed an electric fence which is against Code. He informed Mr. Lotz this evening and requested that he review the situation.
- 11. Mr. Hurley thanked the City workers who so diligently worked on the Downtown decorations and making it look so beautiful for the holiday season.
- 12. President Grossman congratulated the City and the Chamber for a very wonderful Holiday Celebration. She also congratulated the Mayor and his staff for the wonderful review we received today. It's outstanding that others know what we know that Grove City is a wonderful place to live and makes her feel good to know that other people are realizing that we are the best kept secret as far as a community to live in. Finally, she announced that Council will be holding a special meeting on December 12, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. to hear Resolution CR-69-94; hear the first reading for the Appropriation Ordinance for the Grant Avenue Improvement; and to have informal discussion on the 1995 Budget.
- 11.. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

Clerk of Council

Cheryl L. Grossman

President